

CONTRACT # 09-204-500354

CULL TREE REMOVAL  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION

PROJECT NAME: Not Flat

PROJECT NUMBER: 50-354-132-09

SUPERVISORY AREA: Payette Lakes

PROJECT ACRES: 373

LOCATION: 9 miles NNE of Cascade, Idaho

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Subdivision</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Township</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>Acres</u>
1	Pts. NE, Pts. E2NW, Pts. NESW	16	15N	4E	49
2	Pts. NE	16	15N	4E	68
3	Pts. S2NE, Pts. SENW, Pts. NESW, Pts. N2SE	16	15N	4E	47
4	Pts. E2SW, Pts. W2SE	16	15N	4E	62
5	Pts. E2NE, Pts. SE	16	15N	4E	88
6	Pts. NWSE, Pts. S2SE	16	15N	4E	59
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TREATMENT TYPE: Mechanical felling of undesirable trees with chainsaws.

CONTRACT PERIOD: Contract work may commence once the contractor has received a signed copy of the contract and meets with the contract supervisor for a pre-work meeting. No work will be allowed before July 15, 2009. All field work must be completed by 2 November 2009. The contract will expire 20 November 2009.

CONTRACT PAYMENT: Payment will be made based on satisfactory completion of work in each unit.

HAZARD PLAN: All roads and designated skid trails will be kept free of slash. Material protruding into or over the roads or designated skid trails must also be removed. No payment unit will be considered satisfactory until this work is completed.

**SUBJECT TO THE DIRECTION AND INSTRUCTION OF THE CONTRACT SUPERVISOR,  
THE CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO ADHERE TO THE FOLLOWING:**

1. Treatment Objectives:
  - a. Remove living culls as defined in the master contract and this project description.
  - b. Reduce mistletoe.
  - c. Increase spacing to increase growth of crop trees.
  - d. Change species composition to favor seral species.

2. Leave Tree Specifications: The contractor is required to leave
- Dominant or codominant conifers with good form and vigor.
  - Trees with a crown ratio greater than or equal to 40%.
  - Trees free of insects, disease and physical or biological defects. Leave trees less than 8 inches dbh shall have a maximum dwarf mistletoe rating of 1 under the Hawksworth six-class rating system (attached). Trees over 8 inches dbh will not be considered biological culls unless the mistletoe rating is 4 or higher.
  - Crowns of leave trees may not touch on more than one side.
  - Species, In order of preference: WL, PP, DF, ES, LP, GF, AF. However, a variety of species should be selected.
  - When selecting leave trees, selection is best made on the basis of height rather than diameter.

Leave trees shall be those trees with the tallest height, largest crown, longest terminal leader and straightest stem that are free of insects, disease and physical or biological defects. Satisfactory performance shall be determined by the quality of the leave trees first, spacing second.

3. Spacing:
- Unit 1: Spacing will be 12'x12' (302 trees/acre). Cut only trees 6 inches dbh and less plus living culls with a larger dbh.
  - Units 2 – 6: Spacing will be 14' x 14' (222 trees/acre). Trees up to 8 inches dbh will be cut plus living culls with a larger dbh..
  - Where an overstory is present, spacing should start from the dripline of a standing tree greater than 8 inches dbh that is not a living cull.
4. Cut Tree Specifications:
- All surplus trees more than two (2) feet in height.
  - Trees less than 8 inches dbh with broken tops or leaning over.
  - All living culls. Living culls are further defined as:
    - 1) Trees with defects such as crooks, forks and/or sweep that do not have one sixteen foot merchantable log (16' 6") in them.
    - 2) Trees with a dwarf mistletoe rating greater than or equal to 4.
    - 3) Trees with western gall rust. If there are no trees available to leave without western gall rust, do not select trees to leave with gall rust infection in the main bole.
    - 4) Trees with visible Indian Paint conks on 1/2 or more of the bole length.
    - 5) Trees with a dead or "spike" terminal leader.
- Large culls may be girdled according to specifications in the Master Contract.

FURTHER INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE BY CONTACTING:

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### **Dwarf Mistletoe Control Specifications**

Dwarf mistletoe infected tress will be rated by the following point system. Leave trees will be rated 1 or less, and cut trees will be those with a rating of 2 or more, unless otherwise specified by the forester-in-charge.

### **The Six-Class Dwarf Mistletoe Rating System**

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

##### EXAMPLE:

Step 1 - Divide the live crown into thirds.

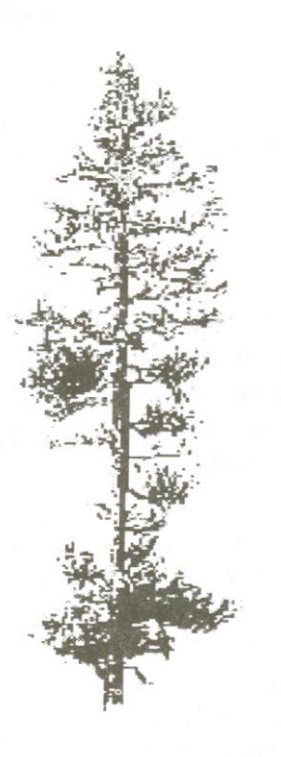
Step 2 - Rate each third separately.

Each third should be given a rating of 0, 1, or 2 as described below:

0. No visible infections.
1. Light infections ( $\frac{1}{2}$  or less of total number of branches in the third infected).
2. Heavy infection (more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  total of branches in the third infected).

Step 3 - Add rating of the thirds to obtain  
A rating for the total tree.

Step 4 - Stand values may be obtained by  
averaging individual tree ratings.



If this third has no visible infections, its rating is 0.

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If this third is lightly infected, its rating is 1.

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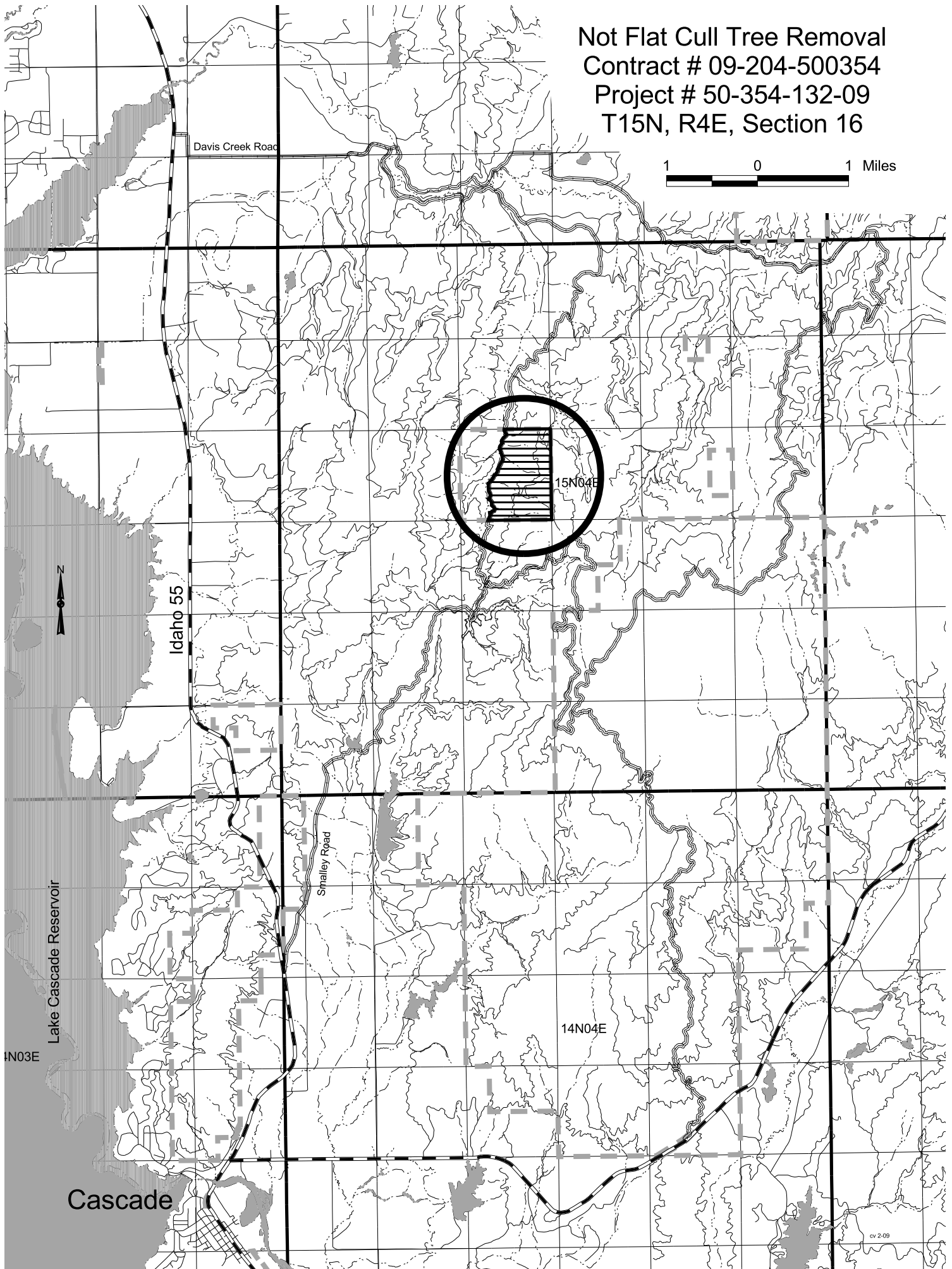
If this third is heavily infected, its rating is 2.

The tree in this example will receive a rating of:  $0+1+2=3$ .

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

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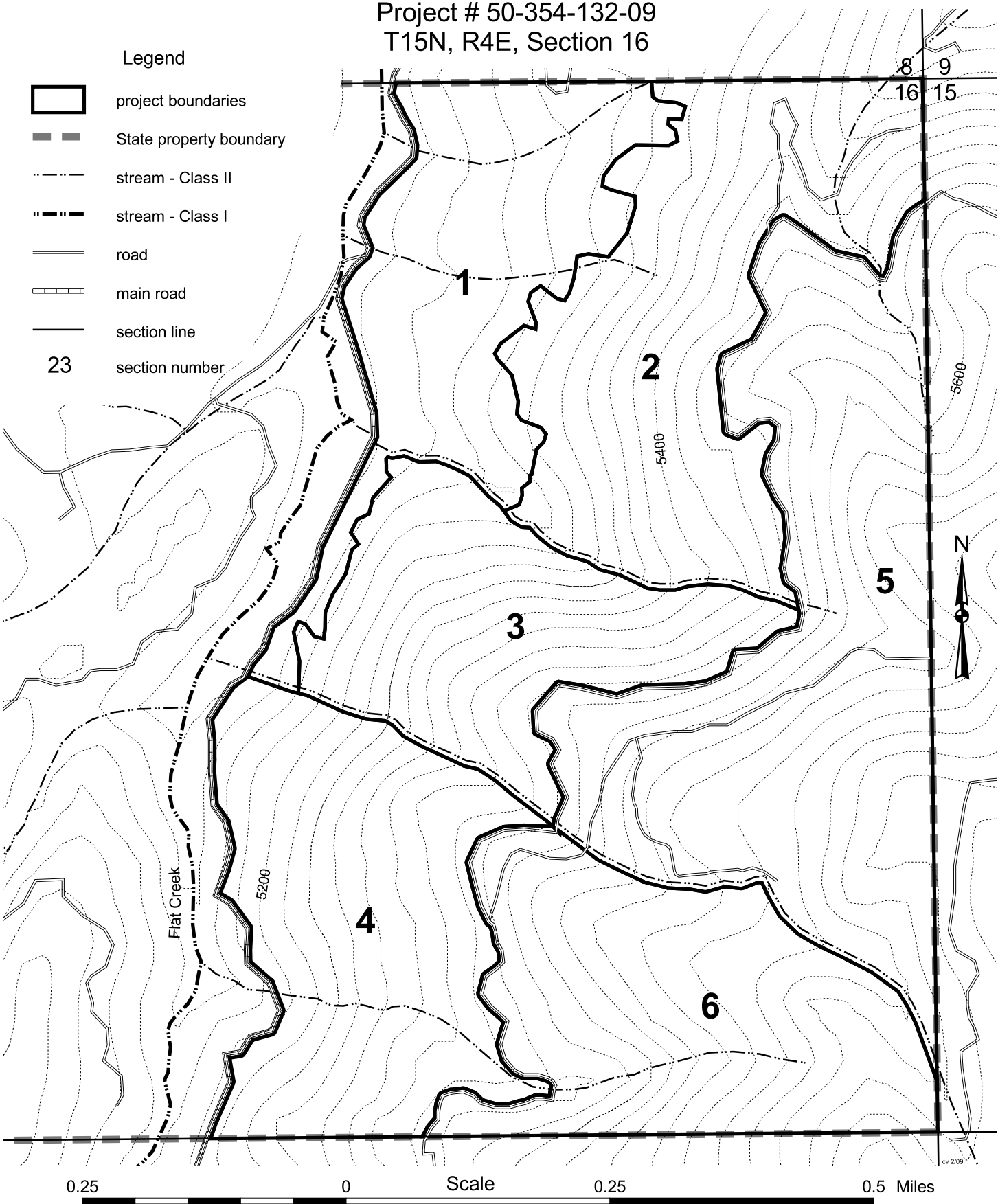
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Legend

-  project boundaries
-  State property boundary
-  stream - Class II
-  stream - Class I
-  road
-  main road
-  section line
-  section number



0.25 0 0.25 0.5 Miles

Scale  
40 foot contour interval